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**AMENDMENT UNDER RULE 116**

Responsive to the Office Action dated April 1, 2004, entry and consideration of the following amendments and remarks are requested; the period for response having been extended up to and including October 1, 2004, by submission of the attached one (1) month extension petition, one month extension fee, Notice of Appeal and Notice of Appeal Fee.

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